

Problem-2

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad b \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

$$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad f(x) = b^T x + x^T A x$$

a) Gradient:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial (b^T x)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial (x^T A x)}{\partial x}$$

$$b^T x = b_1 x_1 + b_2 x_2 + \dots + b_n x_n$$

$$\frac{\partial (b^T x)}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} = b$$

$$\frac{\partial (x^T A x)}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial (x^T A^T x)}{\partial x}$$

$$= \frac{\partial x^T}{\partial x} (A^T x) + \frac{\partial x^T}{\partial x} (A x)$$

$$= A^T x + A x$$

$$= (A^T + A) x$$

[Since $x^T A x$ is scalar;

$$(x^T A x)^T = x^T A x$$

$$(x^T A^T x) = x^T A x]$$

Gradient $\Rightarrow \boxed{\nabla f = b + (A + A^T) x}$

If $A \rightarrow$ symmetric: $\nabla f = b + 2Ax$

Hessian:

$$\nabla^2 f = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (b + (A + A^T)x)$$

$$= 0 + (A + A^T)$$

$$\boxed{\nabla^2 f(x) = A + A^T} \Rightarrow \text{Hessian.}$$

If $A \rightarrow \text{symmetric} : \nabla^2 f = 2A$

b) Taylor Series:

$$\text{First Order: } f(x_0) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{x_0}^T (x - x_0)$$

$$\Rightarrow b^T(x_0) + x_0^T A x_0 + [b + (A + A^T)x_0]^T (x - x_0)$$

$$\Rightarrow x_0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b^T x$$

$1^{\text{st}} \text{ order} \Rightarrow b^T x$

 \Rightarrow

$$\text{Second Order: } f(x_0) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{x_0} (x - x_0) + \frac{1}{2} \left. \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \right|_{x_0} (x - x_0)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{First order} + \frac{1}{2} \left. \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \right|_{x_0} (x - x_0)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow b^T x + \frac{1}{2} (A + A^T) (x - 0)^2$$

$2^{\text{nd}} \text{ order} \Rightarrow b^T x + \frac{1}{2} x^T (A + A^T) x$

\Rightarrow This is an exact approximation because the function is quadratic.

c) $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

\therefore Necessary and sufficient conditions for A to be positive definite matrix:

$\hookrightarrow A$ needs to symmetric matrix

$\hookrightarrow x^T A x > 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^n, A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

d) Necessary and Sufficient condition for A to have full rank:

$$\hookrightarrow \text{Determinant of } A \neq 0 \Rightarrow |A| \neq 0$$

e) $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $y \neq 0$ s.t. $A^T y = 0$.

$$A^T y = 0 \Rightarrow y \in N(A^T) \quad y \text{ belongs to null space of } A^T$$

From principle of orthogonality

$$C(A) \perp N(A^T)$$

For $Ax = b$ to have a solution $b \in C(A)$

$$\therefore \boxed{\text{Condition on } b: \quad b^T y = 0}$$

Problem-3

N : Number of different groceries. $i = [1, N]$

M : Number of nutrients contained. $j = [1, M]$

a_{ij} : quantity of nutrition j in food i

b_j : necessary quantity of nutrition j in a month

C_i : Price of food i

x_i : Quantity of food type i

⇒ Solution:

→ Objective: Minimize $\sum_{i=1}^N x_i \cdot C_i$

constraints: $\boxed{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i \cdot a_{ij} - b_j \geq 0} \quad \forall j = 1, 2, \dots, M$

$\boxed{x_i \geq 0} \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, N$

[∵ Quantity of food cannot be negative]